

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

AMENDED BANKRUPTCY STANDING ORDER 2005-1

**HEARINGS IN CHAPTER 13 CASES AND TO CONSIDER THE GRANTING OF
DISCHARGES AND APPROVAL OF REAFFIRMATION AGREEMENTS**

Pursuant to §105 and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 1001, the Court issues the following standing order to expedite hearings by changing the hearing times on all matters in chapter 13 cases and on hearings to consider the grant of discharges and approval of reaffirmation agreements.

Accordingly, **effective for all matters noticed or scheduled for a hearing to take place on or after October 19, 2005**, and until further notice,

IT IS ORDERED that Local Rule 3015-3(a) is temporarily suspended in part, and that the initial plan confirmation hearing in chapter 13 cases shall be held at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, and/or any other Wednesday that the Court may deem necessary. Other provisions of Local Rule 3015-3(a) are not affected by this Standing Order, and shall remain unchanged.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Local Rule 3015-3(b) is temporarily suspended, and that hearings on proposed post-confirmation modifications of chapter 13 plans shall be held at 10:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, and/or any other Wednesday that the Court may deem necessary.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Local Rule 9013-1(e) is temporarily suspended in part. In chapter 13 cases, motions seeking relief under 11 U.S.C. §362 and all other motions or contested matters initiated by parties other than the standing chapter 13 trustee, ordinarily shall be noticed for hearing at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month and/or on any other Wednesday as deemed necessary by the Court. Movant must select an available hearing date from the calendar posted on the Court's website (www.lamb.uscourts.gov). Motions or contested matters initiated by the standing chapter 13 trustee shall be noticed for hearing at 10:45 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month and on any other Wednesday as deemed necessary by the Court. If the trustee's motion or contested matters can be noticed for hearing contemporaneously with hearing on confirmation of a chapter 13 plan, the motion or contested matter may be noticed for hearing at the same time as the hearing on plan confirmation. Other provisions of Local Rule 9013-1(e) are not affected by this Standing Order, and shall remain unchanged.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Local Rule 4008-2(E) is temporarily suspended, and that hearings to consider the grant of a discharge and approval of reaffirmation agreements shall be held at 9:45 a.m. on Motion Day, as defined in Local Rule 9014-1(a). Before scheduling a hearing on a Motion Day, parties should consult the Court's website (www.lamb.uscourts.gov) to determine available hearing dates.

BY THE COURT:

Douglas D. Dodd
United States Bankruptcy Judge
Baton Rouge, Louisiana August 11, 2005